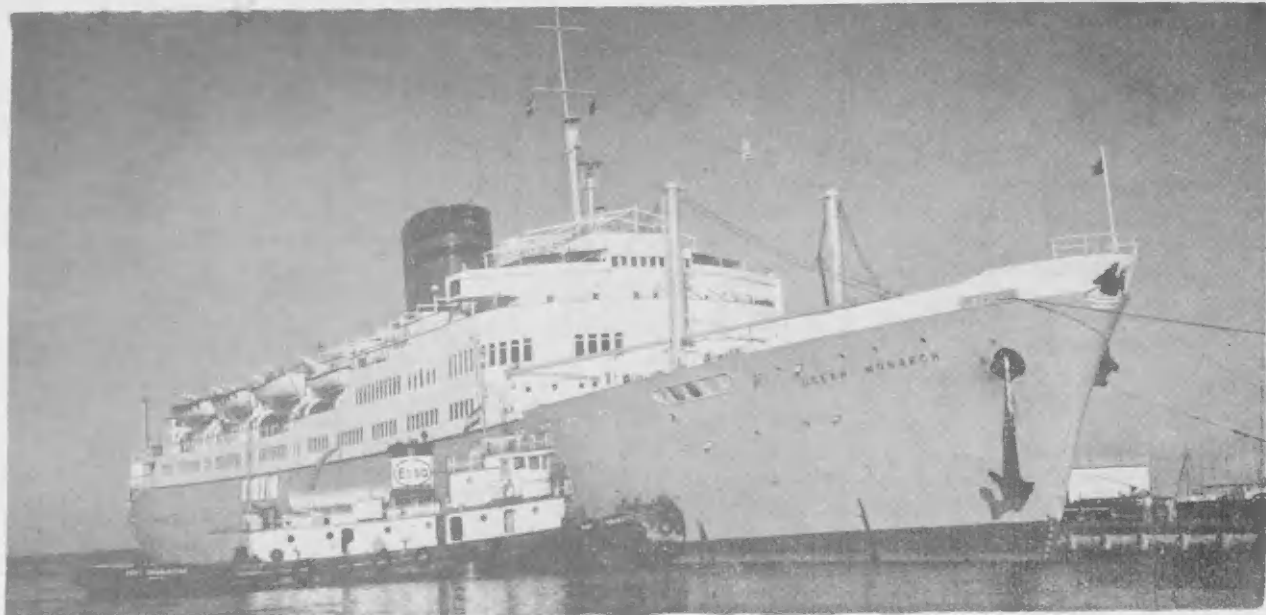


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THE DAY before New Year's was a busy one at the Oranjestad docks. A holiday-crowd of 240 tourists came in for a half-day stay aboard the Ocean Monarch, Furness Line cruise ship. It was the vessel's second call at Aruba.

BISPO DI Anja Nobo tabatin hopi movecion den haaf di Oranjestad. Como 240 turista e yega pa pasa mitar dia aki. Nan tabata bordo do Ocean Monarch, un bapor di cruise di Furness Line. Tabata di dos vez e bapor ta pasa Aruba.

## Ocean Monarch Brings Holiday Crowd of 240

Assisted by the Lago tug Oranjestad, the Furness Line cruise ship Ocean Monarch slipped into Oranjestad Harbor Dec. 31 to make one of its rare visits to the island. The luxury liner brought 240 passengers for a half-day stopover here before continuing its cruise to Jamaica.

A holiday mood prevailed, the passengers anticipating New Year's Eve at sea. Also in port that day was the Santa Paula whose passengers joined those from the Monarch to shop in Oranjestad and San Nicolas and see the island's many tourist attractions.

First stop at Aruba by the Ocean Monarch was February of last year. Comparatively new as ships go, she was commissioned in April, 1950. Eye witness to her building progress was W. A. Porritt, now at Lago with the American Bureau of Shipping, who was a ship's engineer with Furness Withy & Co., Ltd. He was at Vickers Naval Yard in England looking after the owner's interests. The ship was built there and the steam turbines at New Castle. The Ocean Monarch is 516 feet long, has a 72-foot beam, weighs 13,654 gross tons and has a 24-foot draft. The twin-screw craft has a full passenger complement of 350. According to Mr. Porritt, who served aboard her during her first year at sea, she normally has been used as a cruise ship though she occasionally has made the New York City to Bermuda run. The Ocean Monarch is shorter than either of the new Santa ships and has less displacement.

This cruise by the Ocean Monarch originated in Port Everglades, Florida.

## Bo'n por Haya E Number Yama 3600

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## First Baby Of New Year Born at 3:25 PM

Heralding in the New Year at Lago Hospital was the birth on New Year's Day of Juan Benito Ridderstaad whose father, Jacobo, is employed in Mechanical-Pipe. The first baby of 1959 arrived on the scene at 3:25 in the afternoon. He weighed all of nine pounds at birth. Born in the last hours of 1958 was Benvenuto E. Palm, the son of Johannes J. B. Palm of Mechanical-Electrical. Weighing in at just six pounds, 11 ounces, little Benvenuto was nearly six hours old when the clock struck the old year out.

## Ocean Monarch A Pasa Aki Bispo Di Anja Nobo

Asisti pa remodelador Esso Oranjestad di Lago, e bapor di cruise di Furness Line, Ocean Monarch, a drenta haaf di Oranjestad Dec. 31 pa haci un di su bishitanan ocasional na e isla. E bapor luhoso a trece 240 pasagero pa un estadía di mitar dia aki promer cu sigui su cruzada pa Jamaica.

Un stemming di dia di fiesta tabata prevalece, e pasageronan anticipando Anja Nobo anochi na lamar. Tambe den puerto e dia tabata Santa Paula kende su pasageronan a uni cu esnan di Monarch pa haci compras na Oranjestad y San Nicolas y pa mira e hopi atraccionnan turistico di e isla.

E promer biaha cu Ocean Monarch a pasa Aruba tabata na Februari di anja pasá. Comparativamente nobo manera bapornan por ta, esaki a bini cla na April 1950. Testigo presencial di su progreso den construccin tabata W. A. Porritt, awor na Lago cu American Bureau of Shipping, kende tabata un ingeniero maritimo cu Furness Withy & Co., Ltd. El tabata presente na Vickers Naval Yard na Inglaterra pa percura pa interesnan di e donjo. E bapor a worde trahá aya y e turbinanan di stiem na New Castle. Ocean Monarch ta 516 pia largo, tin un hanchura di 72 pia, ta pisa 13,654 ton bruto y ta manda 24 pia di awa. E bapor di dos chapaleta ta hiba 350 pasagero. Segun Sr. Porritt, kende a traha abordo di dje durante su promer anja na lamar, normalmente el a worde usá como un bapor di cruise.

## Rocket Expert Heads Seminar Starting Feb. 16

A one-month seminar course in jet propulsion and rocketry will start Feb. 16, beginning with the fundamentals of jet propulsion through the timely subject of satellites and space ships. The course will be offered in two sections, each section covering the same material.



A. W. Lemmon

Presenting a broad picture of jet propulsion and rocketry as experienced by Alexis W. Lemmon Jr., the course is intended for college graduates with engineering or technical background. Applicants may select either section, the first meeting Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the General Office Building and the second meeting Tuesdays and Thursdays at the same time and place. Section I starts Feb. 16; section II Feb. 17. (Continued on page 2)

## Petrobras Men Study Operations

An opportunity to get first-hand experience on catalytic cracking operations is being realized by two chemical engineers from the Petrobras Company in Brazil. Currently at Lago on training assignments from that company, a crude customer of Esso Export, are Jorge Rona and Paulo P. Patrocínio. Mr. Rona is a Petrobras distillation unit assistant and Mr. Patrocínio is a light ends assistant, both positions being equal to process foreman at Lago.

The two men arrived here from Brazil Dec. 20 on the first leg of their six-month training programs. They will leave Aruba Jan. 20 for the United States where they will spend three months with Standard Oil of California at Richmond, one month at the Petrochem Company in New York City and one month visiting refineries throughout the country.

"Aruba is quite different than what we expected," reported Mr. Rona. "It is more beautiful than described to us." Mr. Patrocínio added that Lago's physical size is also very impressive. "It is much larger and more diversified than we thought it would be," he voiced.

Mr. Rona explained that both of them were mainly interested in studying Lago's catalytic cracking operations since they had been technically trained in this field but had no chance for practical experience. Petrobras maintains a training school staffed by American and Canadian professors where the two chemical engineers studied petroleum refining.

A native of Yugoslavia until 11 years ago, Mr. Rona received his education at the University of the State

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## 1959's First 30-Year Awards Go to Six Men and Company

Six men and a company turned 30-industrial years old this month. First men to be honored this year for attaining 30 years of Lago service were Armand C. Hodge, Mechanical-Garage; Arthur E. Krott-nauer Jr., Mechanical-Instrument; Julius W. Van Varsseveld, Process-Cracking; Jackson W. Farrell, Process-Utilities; Joseph Kock,

General Services-Crafts, and John V. Friel, manager of the Industrial Relations Department. The company will be officially 30 years old Jan. 26.

Honored at a special management staff meeting Jan. 7, the Lago veterans were presented their 30-year certificates and emblems by General Manager W. A. Murray who said, "It is a very pleasant function of the management staff to honor you today for your long service at Lago. It is a great satisfaction to see you men achieve this milestone in your careers."

### F. E. Griffin Present

Also present for the ceremonies was Executive Vice-President F. E. Griffin who congratulated the 30-year recipients and added, "Your faces are familiar ones to me. It is significant that you men are celebrating your 30th anniversary with the company on the eve of its official 30th birthday."

To both of his Mechanical Department men, Superintendent G. L. MacNutt recalled that there wasn't much oil being refined at Lago when they started here. Of Mr. Hodge he said that he has been a dependable employee whose willingness to work any shift or day has been favorable to the company. Mr. MacNutt also added that Mr. Hodge has always been active in church affairs. Directing his attention to Mr. Krott-nauer, Mr. MacNutt informed the group that the general foreman had helped build the powerhouse during the early years. "Then he made the instrument craft a career with us," Mr. MacNutt added. "That is one of the crafts that has changed more in 30 years than any other. As head of that craft you have helped develop it into an extremely efficient unit. Art was bound to succeed because his father was on the job and

saw that he didn't wander off the beaten path," Mr. MacNutt said.

In congratulating Mr. Van Varsseveld and Mr. Farrell, Process Superintendent M. Fisk said that both have shown much adaptability to assignments over the years. He added that every operator likes to have dependable men like Mr. Van Varsseveld on his crew. Mr. Fisk reported that it is possible for Mr. Farrell to receive his 40-year emblem because of his age. "He has been in Utilities for 26 years and has shown great adaptability and latent ability on the job," Mr. Fisk added.

"To every housewife in Seroe Colorado, Joseph Kock is known as Chappy," General Services Superintendent N. M. Shirley quipped when he congratulated the crafts foreman. Mr. Shirley continued with the remark that Chappy had supervised more paint jobs there than any other man. He said he was a steady, dependable, loyal worker with four sons at Lago following in his footsteps. Never absent, Mr. Kock has been in General Services for 23 of his 30 years.

### Outlined Friel's Career

The 30-year career of Industrial Relations Manager J. V. Friel was outlined by Mr. Murray. "I wonder if Jack acquired his taste for cigars when he was secretary to Walter C. Teagle, former president of the Jersey Company, back in 1933?" Mr. Murray asked. He said that Mr. Friel's presentations to management staff have always been clear and concise and most helpful because of their clarity. Mr. Friel replied that he considered himself most fortunate in choosing Lago and Aruba as a

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CURRENTLY ON a training assignment at Lago are these two chemical engineers from Petrobras, a Brazilian petroleum company. Foreground is Jorge Rona with Paulo P. Patrocínio.

ACTUALMENTE ocupá den un programa di entrenamiento na Lago ta e dos ingenieronan quimico aki di Petrobras, un compania petrolero di Brazil. Banda adlanti ta Jorge Rona cu Paulo P. Patrocínio.



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## Promer Baby Di Anja Nobo

Habriendo Anja Nobo na Hospital di Lago tabata nacemento ariba Dia di Anja Nobo di Juan Benito Ridderstaad kende su tata Jacobo ta traha den Mechanical-Pipe. E promer baby di 1959 a yega 3:25 tramerdia. El tabata pisa nueve liber completo ora el a nace. Den ultimo oranan di '58 a nase Benvenuto E. Palm, yiu di Johannes J. B. Palm di Mechanical-Electrical. Pisando solamente seis liber, 11 ons, Benvenuto tabata casi seis ora bieuw ora cu Anja Nobo a drenta.

## Petrobras Men

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of Paraná and was graduated from that institution in 1953. After one year's employment in a plastics company, he joined Petrobras as a chemical engineer. Mr. Patrocínio received his degree in industrial chemistry in 1951 from the University of Brazil. He joined Petrobras as a chemical engineer in 1955 after four years as a police department toxicologist. Both men reside in Santos, Brazil, which is near the Cubatao refinery where they are employed.

According to Mr. Rona, his company obtains a training program agreement with whomever it purchases its crude. Esso Export, which is currently selling crude oil to Petrobras, scheduled the training assignments through the Esso Research and Engineering Company. Mr. Rona explained that Petrobras is 51 per cent owned by the government and 49 per cent by private interests. "As the petroleum industry is nationalized in my country, no foreign interests are allowed," he added. He went on to say that although there are privately owned refineries in Brazil, all new refineries will be 100 per cent state owned. The country is building up an organization of trained technicians to man these refineries, he continued. Petrobras' Cubatao refinery is the largest in Brazil and has a throughput of 90,000 barrels daily. Products refined include motor gasoline, kerosene, diesel fuel, fuel oil and ethylene recovery.

Though the two men were away from home during the holidays they said any homesickness was alleviated somewhat by the hospitality shown to them at the homes of E. R. Carroll, process foreman, and J. T. H. De Lange, Industrial Relations Department. Both Mr. Rona and Mr. Patrocínio are enthusiastic about

## Two Mechanical Men Promoted

Harmon C. Quarles has been promoted to assistant zone supervisor in Mechanical-Field Coordination and Charles R. Miannay has been named a senior engineer in Mechanical-Planning & Engineering. Both promotions were effective Jan. 1.

Mr. Quarles joined Lago May 26, 1957 as an engineer in Mechanical-Administration. In July of last year



C. R. Miannay



H. C. Quarles

he transferred to Mechanical-Field Coordination as an engineer, the position he held at the time of his recent promotion.

Mr. Miannay came to Lago from the Esso Standard Oil Company in Baltimore where he had been employed for two years. Prior to this he was with Esso Research and Engineering Company for 15 months. A Jersey Standard employee since August, 1954, he has been in Mechanical-Planning & Engineering since employed here.

## Seminar

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As assistant chief of the Chemical Engineering Division at Battelle Institute, Mr. Lemmon's qualifications as course instructor include a chemical engineering degree from Ohio State University, graduate work at the University of Delaware and MIT, authorship of many reports and papers on jet propulsion and rocketry and experience as an instructor of these subjects at Ohio State University. He has helped solve aerodynamic, guidance, ram jet and solid propellant rocket problems and was a consultant on rocket design and development. Mr. Lemmon supervised the completion of the "Liquid Propellants Handbook" for the Department of Defense.

Applications for enrollment in this course are available at the Training Division, Administration Building Room 262. Deadline for returning applications is 4 p.m., Feb. 2.

their forthcoming trip to the United States. It's their first visit to the U.S. and they plan to see as much of the country as they can during their five-month stay.

## Can't Find the Phone Number? Call 3600

Telephone 3600 if you can't find the party you want to call, after looking in the telephone directory either under the individual's name or in the departmental classified section because of permanent job or telephone number change or job transfer. This service, supplied by the Lago Police Department, does not take care of temporary employee moves as indicated in Memo to Management.

## Scant Rainfall Recorded Here For Last Year

If you had set out one of those giant size thermos jugs — the type sold in the commissary — New Year's Day 1958, had left it uncapped and miraculously prevented evaporation — well, all the rain that fell on Aruba last year still wouldn't have filled the jug.

That's right, Aruba received just slightly over nine inches of rainfall last year as measured in the refinery. It was 9.857 to be exact (still not enough to fill a thermos) which wasn't much better than the 7.72 inches that fell in 1930, the worst year on record. Compare last year's precipitation with 1950's, — 44.16 inches! Or compare it with the previous average of 19.52 inches.

## Seis Homben den Lago Ta Cumpli 30 Anja

Seis homber y un compania a cumpli 30 anja di actividad industrial e' anja aki.

E promer hombernan cu a worde honrá pa cumplimento di 30 anja di servicio cu Lago e anja aki tabata Armand C. Hodge, Mechanical-Garage; Arthur E. Krottnauer Jr., Mechanical-Instrument; Julius W. Van Varsseveld, Process-Cracking; Jackson W. Farrell, Process-Utilities; Joseph Kock, General Services-Crafts; y John V. Friel, manager di Industrial Relations Department. E compania mes lo cumpli 30 anja oficialmente Jan. 26.

Honrá na un reunion special di management staff Jan 7, e veteranonan a worde presentá nan certificado pa 30 anja di servicio y emblemanan door di Gerente General W. A. Murray kende a bisa, "Ta un acto placentero pa management staff honra boso awe pa motibo di boso largo servicio cu Lago. Ta un gran satisfaccion pa mira boso alcanza e marca importante aki den boso carrera."

Tambe presente pa e ceremonianan tabata Vice Presidente Ehecuto F. E. Griffin kende a felicita e recipientenan y a agrega, "Boso cara ta conoci pa mi. Ta significante cu boso ta celebrando boso 30 aniversario cu compania ariba vispera di su 30 cumpleaños oficial."

Na ambos di su empleadonan di Mechanical Department, Superintendent G. L. MacNutt a remarca cu tempo nan a bini aki ainda no tabatin hopi azeta ta worde refiná. Di Sr. Hodge el a bisa cu el tabata un empleado ariba kende hende por depende. Kende su boluntad pa traha cuakier warda ariba cuakier dia cu ta tabata masha favorable pa compania. Sr. MacNutt a agrega tambe cu Sr. Hodge semper ta activo den asuntonan di misa. Dirigiendo su atencion na Sr. Krottnauer, Sr. MacNutt a informa e grupo cu e general foreman aki a yuda traha powerhouse durante anjanan anterior. "Despues el a haci un carrera cu nos den instrument craft," asina Sr. MacNutt a sigui bisa. "Esey ta un di e craftnan cu a cambia mas cu ningun otro den 30 anja di tempo. Como hefe di e craft aki bo a yuda haciele un unidad extremadamente eficiente. Art tabata obligá pa bai padilanti pasobra su tata tabata vigilante pa mira pe no coi mal camina," Sr. MacNutt a observa.

Felicitando Sr. Van Varsseveld y



LAGO COMPTROLLER C. B. Garber presents a diploma to Francisco Solognier, one of 13 Accounting Department employees who recently graduated from the sixth practical accounting course.

LAGO COMPTROLLER C. B. Garber ta presenta un diploma na Francisco Solognier, un di e 13 empleadonan di Accounting Department kende recientemente a gradua pa di seis curso practico den accounting.

Driest month on record in 1958 was February with hardly enough rainfall to measure. Only 0.005 inches were recorded that month. Wettest month, and still nothing to brag about, was May when 2.297 inches barely kept down the dust.

A so-so 1.285 inches fell the last month of the year. Previous minimum, and still a record for December, was 0.16 inches. That was in 1945. Dampet December was in the record rainfall year of 1950 when 11.92 inches turned dry creek beds into rampaging streams.

## Diplomas Earned In Accounting Course by 13 Men

At graduation ceremonies held Dec. 31, diplomas were presented to 13 members of the sixth practical accounting course by C. B. Garber, Lago comptroller. Men who successfully completed the course, which met four hours weekly for more than a year, were: Bernardo Arends, Everaldo Arends, Marco Castro, Erminio Croes, James Every, Otfried Fradl, Anibal Hoyer, Hector Kolfin, Benito Lampe, Aquiles Leon, Henk Reeberg, Francisco Solognier and Nicolaas Thijsen, all of the Accounting Department.

Class meetings began in March, 1957 and continued through August, 1958. The course consisted of 13 lessons as prescribed by the International School Company of Latin America (International Correspondence School), Scranton, Pennsylvania, and covered introductory, intermediate and industrial accounting. Course instructor was R. G. Holloway of the Accounting Department.

Sr. Hodge a cuminsa cu compania Dec. 31, 1928 den e anterior labor craft. El a transferi pa Mechanical-Garage na Mei 1934. El a worde promovi pa Garage Mechanic B na November 1942. Sr. Krottnauer a join Lago Nov. 12, 1928 como un concrete steelman y a transferi pa Utilities na Januari 1930. Pa medio di un serie di promocionnan el a bira tradesforeman na 1939 y zone foreman na 1947 tempo cu Instrument a worde transferi pa Mechanical Department. Su promocion como general foreman a bini na Juni 1956.

Sr. Varsseveld a join compania Nov. 1, 1927 como pipefitter helper den pipe craft. El a transferi pa pressure stills na 1936 y a worde promovi pa assistant operator na 1942. Sr. Farrell a cuminsa su servicio cu compania Mei 6, 1928 como stevedore den e anterior labor craft. El a transferi pa Utilities na 1932 y a bira assistant operator na 1946. El a worde promovi pa assistant shift foreman na Maart 1958.

Sr. Friel a worde emplea door di Standard Oil Company (N.J.) Jan. 15, 1929. Na Maart 1929 el a transferi pa Standard Oil Export Corporation unda el a keda te 1933. For di e tempo te cu el a transferi pa Aruba na Januari 1939 el a worde emplea como secretario di e Jersey presidente, Walter C. Teagle. El a cuminsa cu Lago como un apprentice operator den pressure stills. El a avanza pa assistant operator promer cu el a transferi pa Industrial Relations Department como acting safety inspector, IR. Na Januari 1946 el a worde nombrá supervisor di wage & Salary y na April di e anja aki el a bira division head. Sr. Friel a worde promovi pa assistant di e IR manager na Juli 1948 y el a bira Industrial Relations Manager.



RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT of the LEC at the Jan. 3 turnover meeting was F. H. Rittfeld, process clerk. Newly-elected and re-elected members to the Council were welcomed by incumbent members and members of management. Guest speaker was Lago President O. Mingus. Also elected by a caucus of 13 board members were E. E. Tromp, vice-president, and C. B. Bislip, secretary.

DURANTE E reunion di cambio di LEC Jan. 3, F. H. Rittfeld, process clerk, a worde eligi atrobe presidente di LEC. Miembro nobo eligi den e Council a worde duná un bonbini door di e miembronan presente y directiva. Presidente O. Mingus tabata presente na e ocasion aki pa tene un discurso. Tambe eligi como oficialnan door di e 13 miembronan den caucus tabata E. D. Tromp, vice presidente, y C. B. Bislip, secretario.





NWS, himself, taking pictures atop the No. 2 stack.  
NWS, su mes, tumando portret ariba di No. 2 stack.

## NORMAN SINGH, PHOTOGRAPHER

# A Successful Undertaking Begun on Borrowed Cash



This is the sandblaster picture that won first place.  
Esaki ta e portret di sandblaster cu a gana prome premio.

"Well, I guess you could say it all started on borrowed cash."  
"You're joking."

"No, that's the way I obtained money to buy my first camera, a Speed Graphic." So said Norman W. Singh, Lago's chief photographer, all the while suppressing an enlarging grin into a thin-lipped smile at the interviewer's disbelief or in a glowing moment of self-satisfaction as his mind flashed back over a personal undertaking well done. It was found to be the latter as a story unfolded that bared enviable determination in pursuit of a goal.

As much a part of Norman as his endless and quite tuneless whistle is the statement: "It could have been better." This critical self-analysis of his work seems to be made by Norman as a mode of self-discipline. His is an insatiable desire to improve, to do a little better the next time. It has led him not only into a successful career, but has also brought him many honors the last of which was a very distinctive first place in a world-wide photography contest.

Sponsored by the Esso Camera Club U.K. in London, his photograph of a Lago sandblaster was awarded first prize in the International Photographic Competition. His dramatic portrayal of the Mechanical Department employee at work, which first appeared in the 1955 safety annual, drew high praise and such commendation as "The judge, who is a Fellow of the Royal Photographic Society and is known to be a very capable photographer, could not find any faults with the print and expressed the view that he would have liked to have taken the photograph himself."

### Award Taken In stride

But because of Norman's "it could be better" philosophy of work life, the glory of an international first never diminished the desire to move on. In spite of the laurels, there was no time for rest. Typically Norman, the award was taken in stride — one of the strides he directed toward Santa Barbara, California, and a four-month study stint at Brooks Institute of Photography. The courses cover motion picture techniques and portrait work, and, making the most of the skilled instruction available, Norman plans to do some review work in night classes if they can be arranged. Using furlough time, savings and a huge pack of personal drive, the Santa Barbara trip was initially made possible through a Lago Scholarship Foundation grant. One of two aspiring students to receive grants this month, Norman has now added the Foundation to his list of supporters in his endless and seemingly tireless endeavor to become an outstanding photographer.

His first was Charlie Overstreet, a former Lago employee and fellow worker in Process Control. Mr. Overstreet introduced Norman to the camera and photography. It was all new to this Process Control clerk. In his native British Guiana, which he had only left a few years before to come to Aruba and Lago for employment, he did not have a camera, had no desire to own one and had only had his picture taken once. But evidently the like was latent because once he started assisting Mr. Overstreet, he was overwhelmed with a craze to develop the knowledge, skills and imagination of this art in himself.

### Assists Mr. Overstreet.

He continued to assist Mr. Overstreet and as he worked side-by-side with the Lago expatriate he learned. Another who joined their ventures in Mr. Overstreet's private darkroom was Igor Broz, son of Dr. R. K. Broz. He, too, taught Norman. The two — Mr. Overstreet and Mr. Broz — obtained the utmost in progressive cultivation. The seed was planted and nurtured into a budding photographer in the

form of a short, stocky young man of Asiatic Indian heritage. But photography, by the nature of the finely ground optics utilized in capturing images, commands more than desire and skill. Expensive, precise equipment is needed by the professional photographer. Norman had no real capital. He had only worked for Lago a few years coming here at the age of 20 as something of an adventurer, but with little or no financial backing.

### Faith Proved Correct

"There was only one person to turn to and that was Mr. Overstreet. It was natural. He taught me all I knew and I was sure he would help me start on my own. My faith in Mr. Overstreet proved correct. I guess I will always be indebted to him. He lent me money and equipment, and he freely gave of all his photographic knowledge."

With money borrowed from Mr. Overstreet, Norman brought the Speed Graphic that was his first camera. Years of hard, back-breaking night and weekend work followed to remove the debt. Norman lived in the bachelor quarters of Lago Heights in those days. He transferred his cubicle of ample living space into a cramped dual-purpose dakroom and bedroom. On weekends during daylight hours a blanket from Norman's bed covered the window shutting out the sun's bright rays from sensitive photographic paper. The door was closed tight and while Norman sweated he printed; he developed; he enlarged; he ferrotyped; he worked and worked some more. It was laborious, by no means always enjoyable, but with each hour's effort Norman earned guilders enough to repay Mr. Overstreet's loan.

About the time Norman had established a strong working relationship with his camera, two important events transpired. Lago decided to record aspects of its industrial life photographically, and Steve Sery, knowing of Norman's recently acquired photographic skills, asked if he would like to be the man behind Lago's first camera. It was a Speed Graphic and, at the time, Norman was in the Estimating Group. And as a member of this group he took off on his and Lago's first industrial photographic assignments: product samples, construction of Nos. 1 and 2 Finger Piers and tank construction.

"I liked the work and I liked the idea of being Lago's photographer. Then, or course, I was the only one. But I decided right away that if I were to make this my career at Lago, I had better learn all I could about camera and darkroom techniques."

### Study Leave-Of-Absence

So Norman spent some more weekends and nights in his close, hot-box of a private darkroom and bedroom grinding out prints at a guilder a copy. When he had saved what he estimated would get him to New York, keep him there for four and one-half months of study and return him, he approached J. M. Whiteley for a leave-of-absence. The request granted, he departed for New York in April, 1949 to study commercial and portrait photography. Shortly after his return from the United States he was transferred to the Aruba Esso News. His photographic contributions have livened the pages of the paper ever since and have aided immeasurably the News' growth and appeal. His graphic portrayals of Lago and its employees have been noteworthy in the development of Lago publications. Keenly aware of engineering needs, his industrial photographs have given tremendous importance to that phase of Lago photography.

Throughout the refinery Norman is known. He is as well known throughout the island as evidenced by his ability to gain entrance into any sports or social function without ticket or form of pass. Norman's pass is Norman,

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"Well, mi ta kere cu por bien bisa cu tur esaki a cuminsa cu un préstamo."

"Bo ta chanza."

"No, asina mi a haya placa pa cumpra mi promer camera, un Speed Graphic." Asina Norman W. Singh, chief photographer di Lago, a bisa, mientras tanto suprimiendo un sonrisa pasobra e entrevistador no kier a kere y mientras su memoria lo mester tabata traha cu satisfaccion propio ariba un empresa cu a resulta bon. A resulta cu tabata e ultimo segun tabata desaroya un storia cu ta muntra determinacion enviable den pursigimiento di un obheto.

Mes tanto un parti di Norman como su fluitmento sin fin y sin pieza ta su expresion: "Por tabata mehor." E analise critico aki di su mes trabao aparentemente a worde inventa door di Norman como modo di disciplina propio. El tin un deseo insaciable pa mehora, pa haci un tiki mehor otro biaha. No solamente esaki a hibe'le ariba un carera exitoso, pero tambe a trece hopi honor pe, e ultimo siendo e promer lugar den un concurso internacional di fotografia.

Auspiciá door di Esso Camera Club U.K. na London, su retrato di un sandblaster na Lago a worde duná promer premio den International Photographic Competition. Su retrato dramático di e empleado di Mechanical Department na trabao, cual a aparece pa di promer vez den e anual di seguridad pa 1955, a merece gran elogio y comentario manera "E juez kende su mes ta un Fellow di e Royal Photographic Society y kende ta conocí como un fotografo masha competente, no por a haya ningun falta cu e print y a expresa cu el mes lo a gusta di saca un portret asina."

### "Por Tabata Mehor"

Pero pa motibo di Norman su filosofia cu "por tabata mehor," e gloria di e promer lugar den un concurso internacional no a mengua su deseo pa bai adelante. No obstante e prestacion no tabatin tempo pa sosiega. Tipicamente Norman, el a tuma e promio como principio di un otro ventura — y esaki ta hibe'le Santa Barbara, California, unda el ta bai sigui un curso di cuatro luna na Brooks Institute of Photography. E cursonan ta cu instruccion cu ta disponible, Norman tin intencion di haci algun obra di revista den clase di anochi si ta posible. Usando tempo di vacation, placa gespaar y un gran cantidad di energia personal, e viaja pa Santa Barbara a worde haci posible inicialmente door di un subsidio di Lago Scholarship Foundation. Un di e dos studentenan cu a recibí subsidio e luna aki, Norman awor a agrega e Foundation na lista di su ayudantenan den su lucha sin fin y indescansable pa bira un fotografo sobresaliente.

Su promer tabata Charlie Overstreet, un anterior empleado di Lago y companjero di trabao den Process Control. Sr. Overstreet a introduci Norman na camera y sacamento di portret. Tabata algo henteramente nobo pa e klerk aki di Process Control. Na British Guiana, unda el e nace, y for di unda el a bini Aruba y Lago algun anja promer pa traha, el no tabatin un camera, el no tabatin deseo pa tin un tampoco, y solamente un biaha el a yega di laga saca su portret. Pero evidentemente e gusto tabata latente pasobra una vez el a cuminsa asisti Sr. Overstreet, el a worde apoderá pa un deseo pa desaroya su saber, abilidad y imaginacion di e arte aki den su mes. El a sigui asisti Sr. Overstreet y segun el tabata traha hunto cu ne el tabata sinja. Un otro cu a reuni hunto cu nan den e camera ob-

scuro di Sr. Overstreet tabata Igor Broz, yiu di Dr. R. K. Broz. El tambe a sinja Norman. Nan dos — Sr. Overstreet y Sr. Broz — a obtene e mayor resultado di cultivacion progresivo e semilla a worde plantá y nurturá den forma di un fotografo den figura di un homber crotico y robusto di origen Asiatico Indio. Pero fotografia, pa motibo di e lensnan preciso cu tin mester pa captura imagen, ta requiri mas cu deseo y saber. E fotografo profesional mester di aparatonan preciso y costoso. Norman no tabatin capital. Apenas algun anja el tabata traha pa Lago desde cu el a bini aki na edad di 20 anja como un aventurero, pero cu casi nada recurso financiero.

"Tabatin solamente un persona cerca kende acudi y esey tabata Sr. Overstreet. Tabata natural. El a sinja mi tur loke mi tabata sabi y mi tabata segur cu el lo ayuda mi cuminsa ariba mi mes. Mi fe den Sr. Overstreet a resulta correcto. Mi ta kere cu semper lo mi keda agradecido na dje. El a presta mi placa y aparato y el a duna gratis tur saber."

Cu placa prestá di Sr. Overstreet Norman a cumpra e Speed Graphic cu tabata su promer camera. Anjanan di trabao duro te laat di anochi y ariba fin di siman a sigui pa paga e debe. E tempo Norman tabata biba den bachelor quarters na Lago Heights. El a pasa cosnan den un cuarto cu el por a usa na mes tempo como kamber di drumi y camera obscura. Durante finnan di siman un laken di Norman su cama tabata cubri e bentana pa tapa solo for di e papel sensitivo. E porta tabata cerrá duro y mientras Norman tabata soda di calor el tabata print, desaroya, haci grandí y ferrotyped; despues el ta traha mas y mas. Tabata trabao duro, no semper agradable, pero cu cada ora di esfuerzo Norman tabata gana bastante placa pa paga e préstamo di Sr. Overstreet.

Mas o menos e tempo cu Norman a establece un fuerte cooperacion cu su camera, dos evento importante a socede. Lago a decidi pa registra aspectonan di su vida industrial fotograficamente, y Steve Sery, sabiendo di Norman su saber di fotografia cu el a adquiri recientemente, a puntre'le si el tabata kier ser e homber tras di promer camera di Lago. Tabata un Speed Graphic y, e tempo, Norman tabata den Estimating Group. Y como miembro di e grupo aki el a laga sali ariba su promer encargonan fotografico pa Lago: muestranan di producto, construccion di pier Nos. 1 y 2 y construccion di tanki.

### Fotografo Di Lago

"Mi tabata gusta e trabao y e idea di ta e fotografo di Lago. E tempo naturalmente mi tabata e unico. Pero mi a decidi mes ora cu si mi kier haci esaki mi carera na Lago, anto mehor mi sinja tur loke mi por tocante tecnico di camera y di labamento di portret."

Pesey Norman a pasa mas anochi y mas fin di siman den su lugar calor sacando prints na un florin pa un. Ora el a spaar loke mas of menos por a hibe'le New York y tene'le aya pa mas of menos cuatro luna y mei di estudio, el a acerca J. M. Whiteley pa e ausencia. E suplica siendo aprobá el a sali pa New York na April 1949 pa studia fotografia comercial y di portret. Poco despues di su regreso for di Estados Unidos el a transferi pa Aruba Esso News. Su contribucionnan fotografico a anima paginan di e corant desde e tempo y a contribui sin midí na crecemento y atraccion di e publicacion aki. Su portretnan di Lago y su empleadonan ta sobresaliente den tur publicacionnan di Lago. Bon na altura di necesidadnan di ingenieria, su retratonan industrial a duna importancia

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# 1958 NEWS IN REVIEW

**JANUARY:** Two Dutch submarines visited Aruba on maneuvers..... New record frequency rate of 0.61 posted for Lago as 1957 was the refinery's best safety year... Command of Savaneta Marines changed from Major V. J. L. Blom to Major G. P. Giesberts... Lago Colony became Seroe Colorado.

**FEBRUARY:** Princess Beatrix won Aruban hearts during four-day visit... Three departments firmly settled in new Administration Building... Fire Training School graduated 67 men... Arrival of isotopes ushered Lago into the atomic age... British destroyer, H.M.S. Dainty, spent four days here.

**MARCH:** "Hoop Skirts & Bustles," produced locally with cast of over 100, was huge success... Lago won first place in the 1957 National Safety Council contest for its record 0.61 frequency rate... Four pages of Esso News pictures recorded Lago tour by Princess Beatrix during her February visit... Statistics course completed by 63... Advanced accounting course graduated six... New Aruba YMCA building dedicated... F. E. Griffin, executive vice-president, honored for achieving 30 years' service... Annual CYI capital awards made to six employees.

**APRIL:** Capacity crowd viewed 18th annual Olympiad at Sport Park... Negotiations on new Lago-LEC contract suspended April 5... Management reported that LEC 40-hour work week request or alternate six per cent wage increase was economically unfeasible... Pole vault record broken at high school meet... Seven employees honored in first group presentations of 30-year certificates at special management staff meeting... Eleven Lago employees named winners in 1959 Lago family calendar competition held by the Public Relations Department... Lago held eighth annual party for staff & regular representatives.

**MAY:** President O. Mingus dedicated new Palm Beach continuation of Lloyd G. Smith Boulevard... Four LCAC posts sought by 13 candidates... LEC-Lago agreed on terms of new one-year contract... Photographing of 5000 wives and children of employees started for new Commissary identification cards... President O. Mingus hailed new contract which assured industrial peace at Lago for coming year... Tanki Leendert Youth Center dedicated... Heavy rainfall ended drought... Eleven men retired with total service of 244 years.

**JULY:** Aruba Sports Union's fourth annual sports festival held in Wilhelmina Stadium and Lago Sport Park... C. R. Greene named TSD superintendent... SPAC final insurance drive enrolled 1059... Lago supervisors and work leaders commenced training to learn ramifications of new Lago-LEC contract... Silver Carnation bestowed on J. H. Beaujon of Industrial Relations by A. B. Speekenbrink, governor of the Netherlands Antilles.

**JULY:** Grace Line's new Santa Rosa made maiden voyage to Aruba... Safety booklets and pencils were given to all employees to commemorate Lago's best safety year — 1957... Hundreds added service time under Articles 19 of the new contract... Final Salk vaccine inoculations for full protection against poliomyelitis were given at the Lago Hospital... Lago Scholarship Foundation completed its first year's program... Danny Litwhiler, former major league baseball player, led baseball clinic for island youngsters.

**AUGUST:** Accounting Department's new IBM 650 computing system opened new doors to more efficient refinery operations... Labor relations expert brought in by the LEC to teach its elected representatives union leadership... Aruba's new water plant dedicated by government officials... Lago Scholarship Foundation awarded 30 scholarships to eligible Aruba youths... Thirty-one LEC district representatives began two-year terms... The Lago Thrift Plan Board of Administration announced revisions to loan regulations.

**SEPTEMBER:** A record number of 21 employees received commemorative watches for 25 years of company service... Lloyd G. Smith Lago's first resident director and president, died Sept. 9 at his home in Media, Pennsylvania... The 14th annual turnaround of the cat cracker was completed September 22... Lago Community Council inaugurated toy collection for children in Lago Hospital.

**OCTOBER:** Woody Herman and his third herd received enthusiastic ovations at Sport Park and Esso Club performances... Thrift Plan sought assistance in locating missing persons who had savings in the plan... G. L. MacNutt was appointed to the position of superintendent of the Mechanical Department and H. Chippendale was named process superintendent... Seven more employees joined annuitant ranks... Lago donated former Acid Plant office building to Imeldahof for a new handicraft center.

**NOVEMBER:** Aruba's Fls. 400,000 Cultural Center was dedicated November 15... Portable driver clinical testing equipment was purchased for company and Lago High School drivers' training program... Two incumbent members of the Sport Park Board and three new men were elected to LSPB posts... Lago Thrift Plan participants received an additional contribution of 65 cents for every guilder in their individual accounts. This was the 20th consecutive year the company gave an additional contribution... Dignitaries of the Roman Catholic Church and the Royal Netherlands Marines visited Lago during stays in the Netherlands Antilles... Aruba's third radio station, PJA6, was dedicated November 2 by government officials... Ten men sought four LEC posts in the annual election... A five-year Lago-government contract was signed for purchase of fresh water from the new Balashi water plant.

**DECEMBER:** St. Nicolaas delighted the kiddies at a special Cultural Center party with the help of Black Peter... Training began for 49 men enrolled in the First Aid squad leader course... For the second year in a row, the Harlem Globetrotters took Aruba by storm and played to a capacity Sport Park crowd... The 140-voice Lago Community Christmas Choir — this year including the 40-voice children's choir — presented its second Sport Park concert... Exactly 89.5 per cent of Thrift Plan participants exercised the withdrawal option to have extra money for Christmas... The Rotary Club celebrated its 20th anniversary with a special Esso Club party... Standard Oil Company (N.J.) affiliates in Venezuela were affected by the government's 10 per cent income tax increase retroactive through 1958... The largest CYI award for 1958 was received by Arpad Pekary, who collected a supplemental payment of Fls. 1750... The umpteenth or so Christmas Party held by Lago for government officials was held at the Lago Golf Club.



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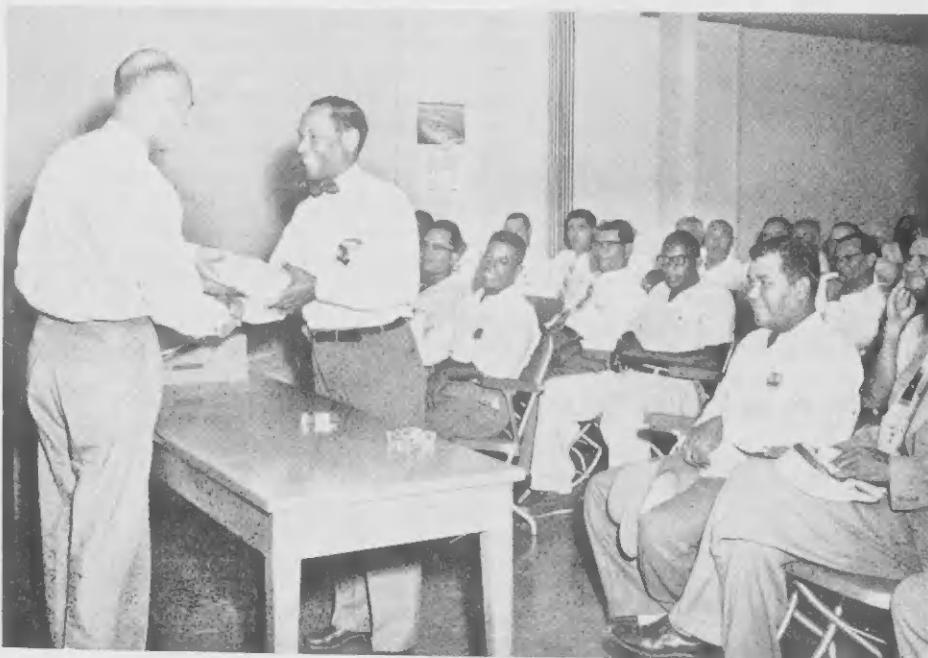
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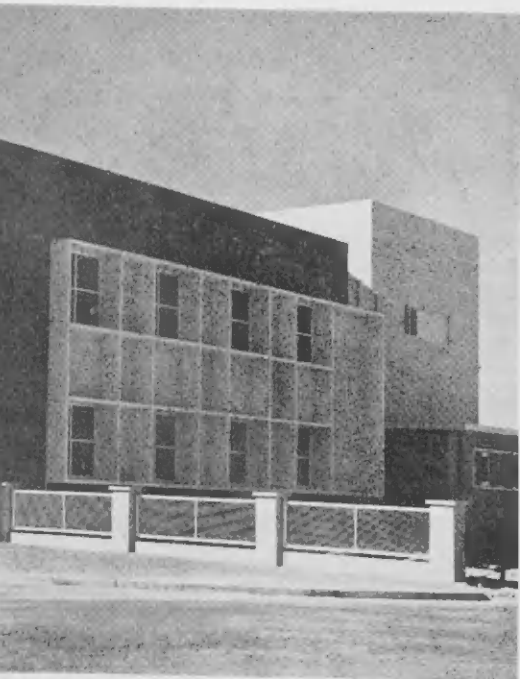
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# Noticia di 1958 En Revista

**JANUARI:** Dos submarino Holandes a bishita Aruba mientras na manobra... Un record nobo en cuanto frecuencia di 0.61 a worde anunciá pa Lago confirmando 1957 como e mehor anja den sentido di seguridad na e refineria... Comando di Savaneta Camp a pasa for di Majoor V. J. L. Blom na G. P. Giesberts... Lago Colony a bira Seroe Colorado.

**FEBRUARI:** Princesa Beatrix a gana corazonnan Arubano durante bishita di cuatro dia... Tres departamento a drenta Administracion Building nobo... 67 Hombes a gradua den Fire Training School... Yegada di isotoop ta hinca Lago den epoca atomico... Destroyer Ingles, HMS Dainty, a pasa cinco dia aki.

**MAART:** "Hoop Skirts & Bustles," produci localmente cu mas cu 100 hende, tabata exito grandi... Lago a gana promer lugar den concurso di National Safety Council pa 1957 ariba base di su record di 0.61... Cuatro pagina di retratonan den Esso News a cubri bishita di Princesa Beatrix... Curso den statistiek e worde completá door di 63... Curso avanzá den accounting a gradua seis... Edificio nobo di YMCA na Aruba dedicá... F. E. Griffin, vice presidente ehecutivo honrá pa 30 anja di servicio... Premionan mayor anual di CYI a worde entregá na seis empleado.

**APRIL:** Multitud enorme a presencia di 18 Olympiada na Sport Park... Negociacionnan tocante contract cu LEC a keda suspendi April 5... Directiva a reporta cu e suplica di LEC pa un siman di trabao di 40 ora of seis por ciento di aumento tabata economicamente indeseable... Record di bula polstok pa e isla a keda kibrá den concursanan di high school... Siete empleado honrá den promer presentacion en grupo di certificadonan pa 30 anja di servicio durante reunion special di management staff... Diez-un empleado di Lago a worde declará ganador den e competicion pa portretnan pa kalender di Lago cu a worde auspiciá door di Public Relations Department.

**MEI:** Presidente O. Mingus a dedica continuacion di Lloyd G. Smith Boulevard cu ta sigui pa Palm Beach... 13 Candidato disponible pa cuatro puesto den LCAC... Lago y LEC a combini ariba condicionnan pa un contract nobo pa un anja... Sacramento di retrato di 5000 esposa y yunan a cuminsa pa carchinan nobo di identificacion pa Comisario... Presidente O. Mingus a saluda contract nobo cual lo asegura paz industrial na Lago pa e anja venidero... Centro Juvenil di Tanki Leendert a worde inaugurá... Yobida pisá a termina segura... Diez-un homber a retira cu servicio total di 244 anja.

**JUNI:** Di cuatro festival deportivo di Aruba Sport Unie a worde celebrá den Wilhelmina Stadion y Lago Sport Park... C. R. Greene nombrá superintendente di TSD... Ultimo capanja di SPAC pa seguro di bida en grupo a firma 1059 persona... Supervisors y work leaders di Lago a cuminsa entrenamento pa sinja stipulacionnan nobo di e contract entre Lago y LEC.

**JULI:** Santa Rosa nobo di Grace Line a pasa Aruba pa di promer vez... Libretanan di seguridad y vulpotlood a worde duná na empleadonan en conmemoracion di e mehor anja di seguridad na Lago — 1957... Cientos a consigui mas servicio segun e reglanan di e contract nobo... Ultimo inoculacionnan cu vacuna Salk pa duna completo proteccion contra poliomyelitis a worde duná na Lago Hospital... Lago Scholarship Foundation a completa e programa di promer anja... Danny Litwhiler, anterior hungador di baseball den liganan grandi, a dirigí entrenamento di baseball pa e hobennan di e isla.

**AUGUSTUS:** E IBM 650 nobo di Accounting Department a cuminsa traha pa haci operacionnan di refineria mas eficiente... Experto di labor relations a worde treci door di LEC pa sinja su representante union leadership... Planta di awa nobo na Aruba inaugurá door di oficialnan di gobierno... Lago Scholarship Foundation a otorga 30 beca di estudio na hobennan Arubiano cu ta eligible... Trinta y un representante di distrito di LEC a cuminsa un periodo di dos anja den puesto... Lago Thrift Plan Board of Administration a anuncia revisionnan den reglanan di fianza.

**SEPTEMBER:** Un total di record, esta 21 empleado, a recibi oloshinan pareuw pa 25 anja di servicio cu compania... Lloyd G. Smith, e promer director residente y presidente di Lago a muri September 9 na su cas na Media, Pennsylvania... E di 14 turnaround anual di Cat Cracker a worde completá September 22... Lago Community Council a inaugura coleccion di cos di hunga pa muchanan den Hospital di Lago.

**OCTOBER:** Woody Herman y su "third herd" a recibi ovacion entusiaste na Sport Park y Esso Club... Thrift Plan ta busca asistencia pa localiza personanan desaparecido cu a laga placa atras den Thrift Plan... G. L. MacNutt worde nombrá den e posicion di superintendente di Mechanical Department y H. Chippendale a worde nombrá process superintendent... Siete empleado mas a retira... Lago a duna anterior edificio ocupá anteriormente door di Acid Plant na Imelda Hof como un lokaal pa obra di man... Diez-cuatro candidato ta tuma parti den eleccionnan pa Sport Park Board October 28—29.

**NOVEMBER:** Centro Cultural nobo di Aruba costando Fls. 400,000 a habri November 15... Aparatonan portatil pa test eficacia di chofer a worde cumprá door di compania pa e programanan di entrenamento di Lago High School... Dos miembro di e Sport Park Board a worde re-eligi y tres nobo a worde eligi... Participantenan den Lago Thrift Plan a recibi un contribucion adicional di 65 cents pa cada florin cerca nan cuenta individual. Esaki tabata di 20 anja consecutivo cu compania a duna contribucion adicional... Dignitarionan di Iglesia Catolico y di Marina Holandes a bishita Lago durante nan permanencia na Antillas Holandes... Un contract di cinco anja entre Lago y gobierno a worde firmá pa cumpramente di awa fresco for di e planta nobo na Balashi.

**DECEMBER:** San Nicolas a alegra e chikitonan cu ayudo di Zwarte Piet... Entrenamento a cuminsa pa 49 homber den curso pa First Aid squad leader... Pa di dos anja consecutivo, Harlem Globetrotters a hala masha tanto entusiasmo n Aruba cu nan weganan... Lago Community Christmas Choir cu 140 voz — e anja aki incluyendo un koor di mucha di 40 voz — a presenta su segundo concert na Sport Park... Exactamente 89.5 por ciento di participantenan den Thrift Plan a haci uso di e opcion pa lamta placa pa Pascu... Rotary Club a celebra su di 20 aniversario cu un party special na Esso Club... Afiliadonan di Standard Oil Company (N.J.) na Venezuela a worde afectá door di aumento di inkomstenbelasting cu 10 por ciento retroactivo te Januari 1958... E premio di CYI mas grandi pa 1958 a worde entregá na Arpad Pekary, kende a colecta un pago suplemental di Fls. 1750... Atróbe Lago a tene un fiesta di Pascu pa empleadonan di gobierno na Golf Club.



## Unique Deposit Of Oil Found In Venezuela

A party of scientists from three affiliates of Standard Oil Company (N.J.) has begun an intensive examination of a remarkable oil deposit in the delta of the Orinoco River in eastern Venezuela. The oil is a mere five to ten thousand years old, which means that it is still in the embryonic stages of its development. Oil produced from the average commercial well is generally in excess of ten million years old.

This fortuitous discovery has provided the first opportunity to observe nature in the act of creating an oil reservoir. The presence of oil-like hydrocarbons in sediments has been noted before, but this is the only case known in which hydrocarbons have actually begun to collect in a stratigraphic trap. The deposit is thus the most conclusive evidence to date that the oil-forming process is a continuing one, and that oil is not an exhaustible resource but is constantly being renewed.

It is hoped that knowledge gained of the conditions under which this phenomenon is occurring will enable future oil explorers to pin-point more accurately the places where marketable oil is likely to be found. The ability to find new oil reserves is assuming increasing importance, particularly since world demand for energy is soaring to the point where, even with the development of atomic power, the requirements for oil will continue to mount far into the future.

The base for the six-week study project has been established at a jungle outpost near the village of Pedernales. Provisions and tons of special research equipment were shipped to the camp early in October. This is believed to be the first time that a fully-equipped laboratory has been set up in the field to permit analysis of sediments before any deterioration can occur.

The men are proceeding to sink some eight boreholes at the site of the oil trap. Rock samples, called cores, are being taken at various intervals as the drill descends. All cores are being examined in the field laboratory. Some will be sealed with plastic and sent to the United States for further studies. Despite the extensive field facilities set up, many tests will still have to be performed in U. S. laboratories and it will be some months before the results of the project are known.

The project was cited as one more example of how the long and often costly research ventures of large industrial organizations can benefit people everywhere, and sometimes, as hoped in this case, obtain new resources for human life.

## Singh Ta Promer Den Concurso Di Fotografia

Norman Singh, chief photographer den Public Relations Department, a gana promer premio den International Photographic Competition teni door di Esso Camera Club U.K. na Londres.

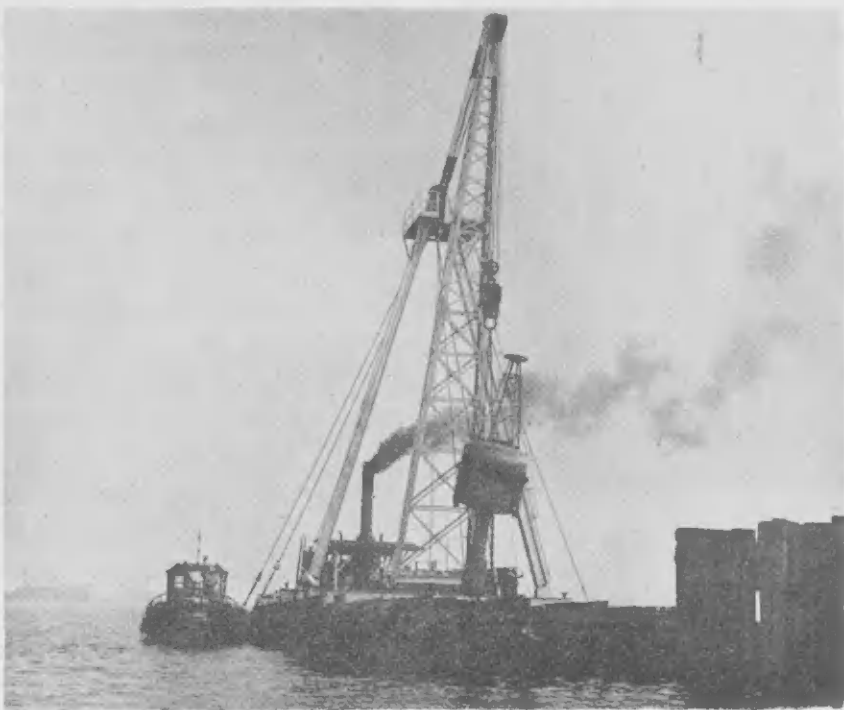
E competicion tabata habri pa tur staff photographers den tur afiliadonan di Standard Oil Company (N.J.), loke a hacie'le un evento mundial. E entrada di Sr. Singh tabata un ilustracion grafico di un sandblaster di Lago na trabao, mehor describi como "un homber di espacio."

E carta di anuncio a bisa, "E juez, kende ta un Fellow di Royal Photographic Society y kende ta conoci como un fotografo di hopi habilidad, no por a haya ningun falta cu e print y el a declara cu el mes ta desea di por a saca un portret asina. Incidentalmente, hopi interes a worde munstrá pa e trabao cu cual e obheto di e portret ta ocupá, pasobra e ta asina dramático."

Sr. Singh lo worde presentá un trofeo cu su nomber engrabá aden na un fecha mas despues.



BOY WHAT a buoy! Imagine dragging this two-ton channel marker all the way from Lake Maracaibo. ESAKI SI ta un boei grandote! Corda pa lastra e boei di 2 ton aki henter camina for di Lago Maracaibo.



IT TOOK the power of No. 6 derrick barge to hoist the buoy onto its deck which was burning under the hot Caribbean sun. This is the first picture of a buoy standing on a burning deck.

TABATA TUMA forza di No. 6 derrick barge pa hinza e boei ariba dek di e barge, cu tabata kima bao di e solo di Caribe. Esaki ta di promer retrato di un boei ariba un dek cu solo ta kima ariba.

## Two Jersey Affiliates Sign Contract with Argentina

Standard Oil Company (N. J.) confirmed recently that its wholly owned affiliates in Argentina, Esso Sociedad Anonima Petrolera Argentina (SAPA) and Esso Argentina Incorporated, have signed a development contract with Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales Argentinos (YPF), the Argentine government oil company. Esso SAPA is an integrated Argentine company engaged primarily in refining and distribution operations while Esso Argentina Incorporated is a United States corporation which was recently organized to carry out producing and exploration activities through a branch located in Argentina.

The contract will go into effect upon ratification by the Argentine government. Its principal objective is the development of oil and gas production in a specific area. These development activities as well as exploration activities are entrusted by YPF to Esso Argentina. The area comprises approximately 480,000 hectares (about 1,185,000 acres) located in the Province of Neuquen, some 800 miles southwest of Buenos Aires. Oil production in this province at present amounts to about 12,000 barrels daily.

Both YPF, which is the major producer, and Esso SAPA produce oil and gas in the Province of Neuquen. Under the contract, YPF will retain title to the oil and compensate Esso Argentina with a fee. The fee will be paid in Argentine pesos and will be related to the price quoted in U.S. dollars at three reference points. This fee will vary with the international price for equivalent

crude based on the average posted price of Venezuela, the U.S. Gulf Coast and the Persian Gulf at loading port.

Esso Argentina has undertaken expenditure commitments in the producing and exploration part of the contract as follows: An initial period of three years during which Esso Argentina will spend a minimum of \$10,000,000; a second period of three years during which it will spend a minimum of \$13,000,000; a third period of four years at the beginning of which, if Esso Argentina elects to continue its operation, it must select and surrender half of the area and spend according to a formula based on reserves and corresponding producibility provided that a market exists for the oil.

The formula for the third period involves an expenditure of at least \$24,000,000 if reserves to support 4000 cubic meters or more of daily production have been proven by the end of the second period. In the final period of 20 years no minimum commitments are specified but Esso Argentina agrees to reduce the area to 25 per cent of the original area and to complete the development of the remaining portion.

## What Are Little Buoys Made Of?

"Where, oh where, has my little boy gone..." That's the first line of a folk song of dubious origin that has been crooned to little children the world over. But the lead could be changed to "Where, oh where, has my little Buoy gone," and still make a lot of sense to the boys in the Marine Department. This satirized version of the nursery rhyme could be voiced by our Maracaibo neighbors who recently lost a buoy. Only the buoy they lost wasn't what you could describe as being little and they were pretty sure it hadn't waltzed out of the channel all by itself—not dragging 25 fathoms of anchor chain strong enough to anchor a battleship!

But we know where the "lost buoy" is and just how "he" got there. Seems a certain tanker that plies the Lake Maracaibo to Lago route accidentally snagged onto our wayward friend and, completely unaware, dragged the two-ton infant all the way from the EM channel to San Nicolas Harbor—a distance of approximately 60 miles.

Actually, no one is dead sure the tanker, which will remain unnamed, snagged the EM gas buoy in particular. Officially, it hasn't been reported as missing, but, the marker did disappear the same evening the tanker in question passed through the channel and it did have a similar buoy in tow the morning it reached Lago. On the other hand, everyone knows that two "buoys" never look alike or is it two "boys" never look alike?

Getting on with our story... just as the sun rose the morning of Dec. 8, the skipper of "that" tanker noticed a strange object astern. "Buoy, what a night," he must have mused. He had heard a strange thumping noise admidships the night before and thought it was a broken bilge plate flapping against the side of the vessel. Now he knew!

The "lost buoy" was secured to a dolphin to keep it from wandering again. A few days later, riggers from Mechanical-Yard retrieved it with No. 6 derrick barge and moved the delinquent buoy to a safer spot ashore. Valued at more than \$6000 U.S., it was fairly certain that the buoy soon would be sought by its owners. So it was crated, secured to the deck of the same tanker and shipped back to what finally turned out to be its home base, the EM channel entering Lake Maracaibo. For all anyone knows, it rests now at that spot, bobbin' to the rhythms of the swelling sea, blinkin' its tiny lamp during the evening hours. We hope it rests in peace, its desire to roam once again tethered with a more secure anchor chain. Oh well, remember that old saying, "buoys will be buoys."

## Deposito Stranjo Di Azeta Háya Na Venezuela

Un grupo di cientista di tres afiliado di Standard Oil Company (N.J.) a cuminsa un intensivo examinacion di un remarkable deposito di azeta den delta di Rio Orinico den parti oriental di Venezuela. E azeta ta solamente entre cinco y diez mil anja bieuw, loke ta nifica cu ainda e ta den su fasenan inicial di desamroyo. Azeta produci for di e promedio poos comercial ta generalmente en exceso di diez milion anja bieuw.

E descubrimiento afortunado aki a provee di promer oportunidad pa observa naturaleza den e acto di cria un reservoir di azeta. E presencia di hidro-carburo den forma di azeta den sedimentonan a worde notá promer, pero esaki ta e unico caso conoci den cual hidrocarburo a cuminsa colecta caba den un trampa den forma di un laag bao terra. E deposito anto ta e evidencia mas conclusivo te awor cu e proceso di forma azeta ta uno continuo, y cu azeta no ta un recurso cu ta seca, pero cu ta worde renobá constantemente.

Ta di spera cu saber cu worde hayá di e condicionnan bao di cual e fenomeno aki ta socede lo pone futuro exploradornan di azeta den un posicion pa designa cu mas seguridad e lugarnan unda posiblemente por haya azeta cu ta adecuado pa vende. E bilidad pa haya reserva nobo di azeta ta hayando mas y mas importancia, particularmente como demanda mundial pa energia ta creciendo te na e punto unda, hasta cu



HOW DOES that old saying go, never send a boy to do a man's job, or is it, never send a man to do a buoy's job?

TA CON e proverbio bieuw ta atrobe, nunca manda un mucha bai haci trabao di un homber, of ta nunca manda un homber haci trabao di un mucha?

## Boei Perdí A Resulta den Haaf di Lago

Den Lago Maracaibo un boei a desparce recientemente. No tabata un boei cu hende lo yama chikito y nan tabata sigur cu di su mes lo e no a balia sali for di e canal — no lastrando 25 braza di cadena di hancro cu ta bastante fuerte pa hancra un bapor di guerra!

Peró nos si sabi unda e boei perdi ta y con el a yega. Ta parce cu un cierto tanquero cu ta haci viaje entre Lago Maracaibo y San Nicolas pa desgracia lo a pasa ariba dje, y sin sabi nada, a lastra e chikitin di dos ton henter camina for di EM channel pa haaf di San Nicolas — un distancia di mas of menos 60 milla.

En efecto, ningun hende ta sigur cu e tanquero, cual su nomber lo no worde mencioná, a ranca e boei particular aki. Oficialmente, e no a worde reportá como faltá, pero, e boei a desparce si mes anochi cu e tanquero en cuestion a pasa door di e canal y e tabata lastra un boei mescos e mainta cu el a yega ki na Lago. Na otro banda, tur hende sabi cu nunca dos boei ta mescos.

Siguiendo cu nos storia... net ora solo tabata sali Dec. 8 mainta, e captan di e tanquero a ripara un obheto stranjo patras. El a tende un zonido stranjo na centro di e bapor e anochi promer y el a kere cu ta cualkier plachi a kibra y ta dal na banda di e bapor. Awor el tabata sabi!

E boei perdi a worde mará na un dolfin pa strobe'le di bai wandel atrobe. Algun dia despues, riggers di Mechanical-Yard a coge'le cu No. 6 derrick barge y a hibe'le terra. E boei cu tin un valor calculá na 6000 dollar aparentemente lo worde busca pronto door di su donjo. Pesey el a worde paketa den un fardo, mará ariba dek di un otro bapor y mandá pa loke a resulta di ta berdaderamente su cas, e entrada di canal EM na Lago Maracaibo. Awor e ta na su lugar atrobe, ta subi baha den awa, y brillando su luz alegremente anochi.

e desamroyo di forza atomico, e requerimentonan di azeta lo sigui aumenta te leuw den futuro.

Base di e proyecto di estudio pa seis siman a worde estableci na un jungle outpost cerca di e pueblo di Pedernales. Alimento y varios toneladas di aparatonan special di investigacion a worde barcá pa e campamento na principio di October. Esaki aparentemente ta di promer vez cu un laboratorio completo a worde estableci den campo pa permiti analyse di e sedimentonan promer cu nada por putri.

E hombernan ta drill ocho wowo na sitio di e deposito di azeta. Muestretranan di piedra ta worde tumá na profundidad segun e drill ta baha.



## Hip Chick Lays Crazy Egg - So Do the Experts

The peanut-shaped egg laid by a hen belonging to Segundo Loefstop of Mechanical-Paint has brought forth a series of discussions by chicken-fanciers in certain Lago circles.

The theory promulgated by a so-called expert on the New Jersey Blue Comb bird is that the chicken in question had been kept on a strict diet of peanuts or had been watered out of an old salted peanut can. If this theory were true, the egg would definitely have the markings of Mr. Peanut (copyrighted) which is not in evidence.

An acceptable premise, but without foundation or conclusive proof, was offered by Melvin Skopptz, former head of Chicken Pathology, Diseases and Cures at Kansas State College for Old Teachers. He states: "By the condition of the outer shell, coloring and relationship of the size of the lower protuberance to the upper, we can only assume that the chicken in question suffered from a case of chronic hiccups due to a dietary deficiency — lack of peanuts in the diet."

The third member of the board reviewing the schizophrenic egg produced the most startling and conclusive evidence of all. He is Albert Swizzlestick. The former egg candler from Ohio took the egg to his home



THIS UNUSUAL peanut-shaped egg is displayed by Mrs. S. Loefstop, owner of a very confused hen. Mr. Loefstop works in Mechanical-Paint.

E WEBO raro aki den forma di un pinda ta worde munstrá door di Sra. S. Loefstop, donjo di un galinja masha confundi. Sr. Loefstop ta traha den Mechanical-Paint.

laboratory and submitted this report the following morning. "The odd-shaped egg with the slipped disc was perfectly normal in every detail and came from a perfectly normal chicken."

He should know, in the interest of science Mr. Swizzlestick ate the egg!

## La Fama Wins Football Loop

A 3-2 victory by La Fama over RCA earned its championship laurels in the Lago Sport Park round robin football competition. The decisive match was played Dec. 21 at the park after which trophies and medals were presented to the winning La Fama team and the RCA runners up squad. Both teams were tied for first place with four victories against two defeats going into the final play-off match.

Standings for the six teams in the tournament were: La Fama, 5-1; RCA, 4-2; Dakota, 2-2; San Nicolas Jrs., 1-3; Aruba Jrs., 1-3, and Estrella, 1-3.

## SERVICE AWARDS

### 20-Year Buttons

Pedro Croes	TSD-Lab.
Willem L. A. Ponce	TSD-Lab.
Arthur H. Scott	Marine-Harbor
	Floating Equip.
Preston A. Hunt	Gen. Serv.
John W. Denton	Proc.-Acid & Edel.
Walter G. Beyer	Proc.-LOF
William R. Moore	Proc.-Utilities

### 10-Year Buttons

Harold J. Richardson	Mech.-Field Coord.
Gregoria Dzala	Medical
Saturino G. Anthony	Rec. & Ship.
Eloy Maduro	Wharves
Ralph Huntington	Acid & Edel.
Edmundo Paskel	LOF
Donald A. Huntington	Utilities
Jacques L. Groenewaldt	Paint
Thomas D. A. Tromp	Garage
Ezraul A. Gumbs	Garage
William J. E. Wilson	Welding
Charles Webster	Garage
Gabriel A. Henriquez	Pipe
Berardo M. Sint Jago	Lago Police
Arthur L. Hassell	Commissary
Lionel C. Richardson	Gen. Serv. Admin.
Miguel Young	TSD-Lab
Joseph Dezon	TSD-Lab
John L. Krebs	Gen. Serv.-Schools
James M. Downey	Gen. Serv.-Schools
Joseph J. Leary	Gen. Serv.-Schools
Ruth E. Stambaugh	Medical
H. P. A. van Schouwen	Medical
Miss Lydia R. Leslie	Ind. Rel.
Mrs. Abelinita Harms	Ind. Rel.
Miss Violet S. Tracy	Medical Dept.
Calvin C. Turner	Stewards
James B. Howard	Commissary
Dominico Geerman	Utilities
Aleandro Geerman	Rec. & Ship.
Simplicio Maduro	Acid & Edel.
Augustinus B. Semerel	Wharves
Francisco J. Maduro	Mason
George A. J. Leter	Welding
Maximiliano Croes	Yard
Edward F. Welch	Ind. Rel.
Joseph Tricarico	Welding
George A. Anderson	Machinist
Robert S. Ewart	Electrical
H. Clifford Whelan, Jr.	TSD-Eng.
Lloyd G. Taylor	Lago Police
Wilhelm A. Berkel	TSD-Lab.
Julian P. Pemberton	Commissary
Alphonso Ras	Cracking
Bruchilde M. E. Halley	Accounting
Rudolph A. Chin-A-Loi	Accounting
Saverino Tromp	Accounting
Mathias R. Pastor	Garage
Felix P. Salisla	Garage
Rudolfo I. Vrolijk	Storehouse
Egidio Thiel	Tin
Julio Paesch	Garage
Guan Geerman	Scaffolder
Adriaan Croeze	Yard
Francisco Geerman	Scaffolder
Eugene M. Gunther	Garage

## Pinda Ta Pone Webo Stranjo

E webo den forma di pinda cu un galinja perteneciendo na Segundo Loefstop di Mechanical-Paint a ocasiona un serie di discusionnan den circulo di cierto concedornan di galinja na Lago.

Un theoria promulgá door di un tal experto tocante e New Jersey Blue Comb ta cu e galinja en cuestion a worde teni ariba un dieta stricto di pinda of cu esaki a bebe awa for un b'eki bieuw di pinda salo. Si e theoria aki ta bardad, anto e webo segur mester tabatin e firma di Mr. Peanut ariba dje, loke no ta e caso.

Un suposicion aceptable, pero sin ningun fondo of prueba conclusivo a worde ofreci pa Melvin Skopptz, anterior hefe di Chicken Pathology Diseases and Cures na Kansas State College for Old Teachers. El ta bisa: "Segun condicion di e casca pafor, esio ry forma di e puntanan, nos por supone solamente cu e galinja en cuestion a sufri di un caso cronico di hik pa motibo di falta di alimento — falta di pinda den su cuminda."

E di tres miembro di e junta cu a repasa e webo stranjo a bini cu e evidencia mas asombrante di tur. El ta Albert Swizzlestick. E anterior concedor di webo for di Ohio a hiba e webo pa su laboratorio na cas y a manda su reportaje aden su siguiente mainta. "E webo den forma stranjo tabata perfectamente normal den tur detaye y a bini for di un galinja perfectamente normal."

El mester por sabi. Na interes di ciencia Sr. Swizzlestick a come e webo.

## NEW ARRIVALS

### December 15

VAN VELZEN, Andreas J. J. - Government Pilot; A daughter, Iris.  
RASHIIN, Ireno T. - Mech. Paint; A daughter, Elsy Wilsma.  
DEIDER, Herbert A. - Mech. Garage; A daughter, Cheryl Mercedes.  
LOEFSTOK, Eustaquio - Mech. Boiler; A baby boy.  
HOYER, Anibal J. - Accounting; A daughter, Ludwina Maria.

### December 16

FIGARO, Mario - Mech. Storehouse; A daughter, Lourdes Aurora Pascualita.  
BAPTISTE, Edwin - Mech. Pipe; A son, Wayne Michael.  
WEVER, Levie B. - Accounting; A son, Raymond Steve.

### December 17

JOSEPH, Gentle - Mech. Carpenter; A son, Abraham Mathiew Mark John.  
GERMAN, Bertrando - T.S.D. Eng.; A son, Pedro Leonardo.  
GERMAN, Johannes - Mech. Storehouse; A son, Urbano Miguel.

### December 18

GERMAN, Floriano - Mech. Mason; A son, Graciano Floriano.  
MADASSA, Harold - Process Utilities; A daughter, Nadira Ann.  
OLEANA, Miguel N. - Esso Dining Hall; A son, Patricio Diano.  
DANJE, Ceferino V. - Mech. Yard; A daughter, Theresita.

### December 19

HUNT, Jose M. - Marine Office; A son, Randy Stewart Philippe.

### December 20

TROMP, Juan - Mech. Paint; A son, Domingo Rolando.  
TROMP, Hozé M. - Machinist; A daughter, Astrid Aurora.

### December 21

FILMING, Campbell N. - Medical; A son, Clement Oniel.  
CROES, Julio - T.S.D. Eng.; A son, WEBB, Gilberto - Mech. Carpenter; A daughter, Vera Feleclita.  
LOEFSTOK, Esteban - Mech. Mason; A daughter, Elizabeth.

### December 22

WILEMS, Louis B. - Mech. Machinist; A baby boy.  
LACLE, Cirilio - Process L.O.F.; A baby boy.

### December 23

DE CUBA, Victor - General Services; A daughter, Mildred Mercedes.  
MADURO, Cornelis - Mech. Boiler; A baby girl.

### December 24

MADURO, Maximo - Mech. Instrument; A baby boy.  
COFFI, Romualdo - Rec. & Shipping; A baby girl.

### December 25

KAPPEL, Edwin D. M. - Mech. Pipe; A baby girl.  
HASSELL, Alfred R. - Mech. Mason; A baby girl.

### December 26

DANIA, Simon G. - Mech. Paint; A daughter, Enveline Elizabeth.  
ILLIDGE, Voltain R. - Process L.O.F.; A baby boy.

### December 27, 1958

DALRYMPLE, Maurice A. - Cracking - A daughter, Barbara Elizabeth.

### December 28, 1958

TROMP, Seferino - Accounting - A son, Roland Inocencio.  
EDUARDO, Guillermo M. - Lago Police - A son, Mozart Noel.



FETED AT a Dec. 30 retirement luncheon was Pablo E. Loefstok of Mechanical-Paint who retired Jan. 1 after 16 years at Lago. Left to right, are J. W. Maduro, D. E. T. Williams, Mr. Loefstok, J. L. Dortch, F. L. Loefstok, J. Freundel and C. K. Scott.

FESTA UN comida di retiro Dec. 30 tabata Pablo E. Loefstok di Mechanical Paint kende a retira Jan. 1 despues di 16 anja di servicio na Lago.



TO HELP Sebastian H. Figaroa pass the time of day during retirement, his friends and associates in Mechanical-Yard gave him a clock, plus a monetary gift, shortly before he retired Jan. 1. A. Arends, right, made the presentation for the rest of the group.

PA YUDA Sebastian H. Figaroa pasa e tempo durante su retiro, su amigo y asociadonan den Mechanical-Yard a dunele un oloshi, plus un regalo na placa, poco promer cu el a retira Jan. 1. A. Arends, banda drechi, a haci e presentacion pa resto di e grupo.



A RETIREMENT luncheon was held for Hilario C. Britten on the eve of his Jan. 1 retirement from Lago. Employed in Mechanical-Pipe, Mr. Britten has 26 years' service. Left to right, are N. F. Dijkhoff, Mr. Britten, A. G. Kossuth, J. Vries, G. E. Ruiz and B. J. Bruever.

UN COMIDA di despedida a worde teni pa Hilario C. Britten un dia promer cu su retiro Jan. 1 for di Lago. Emplea den Mechanical-Pipe, Sr. Britten tabatin 26 anja di servicio.



THE MAIN shop of Mechanical-Electrical was the scene of good-byes and well wishes for Raul Smith, electrician C, who retired Jan. 1. Zone Foreman R. S. Ewart presented him with a check on behalf of the group. MAIN SHOP di Mechanical Electrical tabata escena di despedida y bon deseonan pa Raul Smith, electrician C, kende a retira Jan. 1. Zone Foreman R. S. Ewart a presente-le un check na nomber di e grupo.

## Virgin Islands Mental Health Conference Site

The second Caribbean Conference on Mental Health will be held in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, April 9-16, the conference steering committee has announced. Theme for the conference will be "Children of the Caribbean; How should we meet their mental health needs?" This theme will be developed under four basic topics: The child in his culture; The child and his development; The child under stress; and, The community organizes to meet the needs of the child.

The World Federation for Mental Health will act as the sponsoring body for the conference and Dr. J. R. Rees will again serve as chairman. Dr. Rees, of London, served as conference chairman of the First Caribbean Conference on Mental Health held in Aruba in March, 1957. Host group for the conference delegation was the Aruba Mental Health Society under the chairmanship of Dr. Robert Turfboer, formerly of the Lago Medical Department. Active on the steering committee for the first conference was Dr. W. E. Kendall of the Industrial Relations Department.

## Conferencia di Salud Mental na Virgin Islands

Di dos conferencia di Salud Mental den Caribe lo tuma lugar na St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, April 9-16, asina e comité preparativo a anuncia. Tema di e conferencia lo ta "Muchanan di Caribe — Com mester encontra nan necesidnan di salud mental?" E tema aki lo worde desaryá segun cuatro topico basico: e mucha den su cultura, e mucha den su desaroyo; e mucha bao tension, y comunidad ta organiza pa encontra necesidnan di e mucha.

E Federacion Mundial pa Salud Mental lo actua como e cuerpo cu ta auspacia e conferencia y Dr. J. R. Rees lo sirbi atrobe como presidente. Dr. Rees, di London, a actua como presidente di e conferencia pa e Promer Conferencia cu a tuma lugar na Aruba na Maart 1957. E tempo e huesped pa e delegadonan tabata Aruba Mental Health Society bao presidencia di Dr. Robert Turfboer, Medical Department. Activo den e comité preparativo di e promer conferencia tabata tambe Dr. W. E. Kendall, di Industrial Relations Department.



## 30-Year Awards

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workplace and home. "These have been 30 happy years," he said.

Mr. Kock joined Lago Jan. 24, 1929 as a painter in the paint craft. He transferred to General Services in June, 1936. His promotion to crafts foreman came in October, 1957. He has never suffered a lost-time accident or had a deductible absence.

Mr. Hodge started with the company Dec. 31, 1928 in the former labor craft. He transferred to Mechanical-Garage in May, 1934. He was promoted to Garage mechanic B in November, 1942. Mr. Krottnauer joined Lago Nov. 12, 1928 as a concrete steelman and transferred to Utilities in January, 1930. Through a series of promotions he became tradesforeman in 1939 and zone foreman in 1947 when Instrument was transferred to the Mechanical Department. His promotion to general foreman came in June, 1956.

Mr. Varsseveld joined the company Nov. 1, 1927 as a pipefitter helper in the pipe craft. He transferred to the Pressure Stills in 1936 and was promoted to assistant operator in 1942. Mr. Farrell commenced his company service May 6, 1928 as a stevedore in the former labor crafts. He transferred to Utilities in 1932 and became an assistant operator in 1946. He was promoted to assistant shift foreman in March, 1958.

Mr. Friel was first employed by Standard Oil Company (N.J.) Jan. 15, 1929. In March, 1929 he transferred to the Standard Oil Export Corporation where he remained until 1930. In June, 1933, he was employed as secretary to the Jersey president, Walter C. Teagle, until January, 1939 when he transferred to La-

## Two Get Grants From Foundation To Study Abroad

First scholarships of the new year to be awarded by the Lago Scholarship Foundation went to Lydia Brookson, daughter of A. R. J. Brookson, who is an assistant operator in the Acid & Edeleanu Plant, and to Norman Singh, chief photographer in the photographic section of the Public Relations Department.

Miss Brookson left Jan. 11 to attend Sint Lambertus Hospital in Helmond, Holland, where she is undertaking a three and one-half year nursing course. From San Nicolas she attended St. Teresa and St. Anna schools.



L. Brookson

Mr. Singh left Aruba Jan. 2 for Santa Barbara, California, to take a four-month motion picture course at the Brooks Institute of Photography. In 1949, he attended the School of Modern Photography in New York City.

go as an apprentice operator on the Pressure Stills. He advanced to assistant operator there before transferring to the Industrial Relations Department as acting safety inspector.

In January, 1946, he was named Wage and Salary supervisor and assumed the duties of division head in April of that year. Mr. Friel was promoted to assistant to the IR manager in July, 1948 and has been manager of Industrial Relations since September, 1949.

## Commissaries Closed Jan. 29 for Inventory

Both Commissaries — Lago Commissary and Seroe Colorado Commissary will be closed Thursday, Jan. 29, for inventory.

## Inventario Ta Cera Comisarionan Jan. 29

Ambos comisario — Lago Commissary y Seroe Colorado Commissary — lo ta cera Diahuebes, Jan. 29 pa inventario.

## Oloshinan pa Entregá na 11

Oloshinan pa servicio conmemorando 25 anja cu Lago a worde presentá na 10 empleado na ceremonianan special den Reception Center teni Jan. 7. Ademas, un empleado a recibi su oloshi di oro pa servicio na su comida di retiro Dec. 30.

Honrá na e programa den Reception Center unda e entregamento di oloshi a tuma lugar door di Gerente General W. A. Murray, tabata: J. H. Lampe, welding; J. F. Flanegin, garage; H. P. Tromp, pipe, tur di Mechanical Department; L. B. Pontilius, Utilities; H. J. Farro, C&LE; M. J. Bommel, Cracking; tur di Process Department; E. Kock di Medical Department, M. H. Figaroa di TSD-Engineering, A. Vanterpool di General Services Department y C. M. Sint Jago di Marine Floating Equipment Division. S. H. Figaroa, Mechanical-Yard, a worde presentá su oloshi na su comida di despedida.

Desde principio di e programa di oloshi pa servicio, un total di 657 oloshi a worde presentá na empleadonan kende a completa 25 anja di servicio cu compania.



MORE THAN 400 residents of Tanki Leendert gathered at their Youth Center Dec. 28 to hear members of Christian Youth Fellowship sing Christmas carols. Following songs by the Seroe Colorado teenagers, a variety of Aruban music was presented by the Folklorico Arubano orchestra, the Mi Preferido caja di musica and Frans Croes.

MAS CU 400 residente di Tanki Leendert a bini hunto na nan Centro Juvenil Dec. 28 pa tende miembronan di Christian Youth Fellowship canta canticanan di Pascu. Despues di canticanan door di e hobennan di Seroe Colorado, un variedad di musica Arubano a worde presentá pa Folklorico Arubano, orchestra, caha di muziek Mi Preferida y Frans Croes.

## Photographer Singh

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bearing familiar trademarks of dark glasses, smile, cameras slung over shoulders, gadget bag in hand and that endless whistle.

Not without wit and quick to joke, Norman volunteered the high point in his career. The incident, laughingly proclaimed Norman, "was when I went up to the top of the No. 2 Powerhouse stack with the Custodis men and took pictures from 300-feet up." Scared? "No, not at all. I don't mind odd situations or positions. It gives me a chance to get pictures I wouldn't otherwise get." And this characteristic verve coupled with exacting ability and "it could be better" standards is what makes Norman Lago's top photographer.

Norman (Of Thee I) Singh - as one office pundit chose to address him - was born in Kitty Village, British Guiana, 35 years ago. One of five children of a grocer, his early life was no more, no less than the average B.G. lad growing up in the Georgetown area. Early in life Norman decided against the grocery business. His father, B.G. born, took over the established store of his father, who migrated to B.G. from India. Norman, instead, studied sanitation as an apprentice in the Department of Public Works. In 1943 he and 150 others signed up for Lago employ. Why? "I don't know other than we heard the salaries and benefits were good, and in a short while you could earn enough to stand alone. None of us knew anything about Aruba or Lago."

The trip of the 150, made at the height of World War II, went from British Guiana to Trinidad to Curacao to Aruba aboard the United States troopship "State of Virginia." Hardly had Norman's ship pulled away from the South American coast than two United States destroyers swooped alongside in escort. From Trinidad to Curacao the "State of Virginia" with its 150 Lago bound recruits became part of a convoy of "about 100 ships."

"It was all new and exciting and sometimes scary to me. I had never seen many big ships, and then all of a sudden I was on a big ship right in the middle of a hundred of them. I didn't know whether I was going to work for Lago or the Allies. Out of all the ships, I remember seeing at least six United States destroyers, an aircraft carrier, freighters, tankers and two blimps flying overhead."

(It is interesting to note that the German submarine that shelled Lago the infamous night of February 16, 1942 was re-

ported sunk just a few miles off the course of Norman's convoy by United States naval aircraft operating out of Trinidad.)

"What I remembered most, though, was being right in the center of the convoy. All of us on board the 'Virginia' figured it was because we were important personnel. When we landed in Aruba we found out the real reason. In addition to us the ship was loaded with ammunition for Aruba defense. I'll never forget one well-dressed gentleman who travelled with us. When we disembarked and found out about the ammunition we had been travelling with, this fellow dropped to his knees in thanksgiving, blessed himself and immediately requested to be taken back to B.G. He was, too."

At Lago, Norman went to work in the Cracking Plant "because there you could earn fast money." The only trouble was Norman and shift work never could quite match waking and sleeping hours. So Norman transferred to Process Control. A fortunate move for all.

And now he is in Santa Barbara studying to make it better. En route across the United States his plane stopped in Chicago long enough for Norman to see snow. His postcard reporting the incident wasn't long enough to include pertinent details as to whether or not he photographed it. Knowing Norman, though, it's a cinch he did — and undoubtedly to the shrills of a tuneless whistle!

## Empleado Den Accounting A Recibi Diploma

Na ceremonianan di graduacion teni Dec. 31, diploma a worde presentá na 13 miembro di e sexto curso practico di accounting door di C. B. Garber, comptroller di Lago. Esnan cu a completa e curso cu exito, tumando cuatro ora di les tur siman, tabata: Bernardo Arends, Everaldo Arends, Marco Castro, Ermilio Croes, James Every, Otfried Fradl, Anibal Hoyer, Hector Kolfin, Benito Lampe, Aquiles Leon, Henk Reeberg, Francisco Solognier y Nicolaas Thijssen, tur di Accounting Department.

E lesnan a cuminsa na Maart 1957 y a sigui te Augustus 1958. E curso tabata consisti di 13 les manera ta prescribi door di International School Company of Latin America (International Correspondence Schools), Scranton, Pennsylvania y tabata cubri accounting introductorio, intermedio y industrial. Instructor di e curso tabata R. G. Holloway di Accounting Department.

## Norman Singh, Fotografo

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tremende na e fase aki di fotografia na Lago.

Norman ta conoci den henter refinaria. El ta conoci tambe over di henter e isla. Hende por ripara esaki door di abilidad pa worde admitti na cualkier funcion deportivo of festivo sin un carchi of paso. Norman su paso ta Norman mes, cu su bril scur, sonrisa, camera over di shouder, tas na man y su fluitmento continuo.

No sin un mente skerpi y liher cu un chanza, Norman a escoge e punto saliente di su carera voluntariamente. E incidente, segun el a bisa na harimento, tabata "tempo mi a subi na schoorsteen di No. 1 Powerhouse cu e hendenan di Custodis y mi a saca portret for di 300 pia halto." Bo tabata spantá? "No, ningun tiki. Mi no ta preocupa cu situacionnan of posicionnan raro of incomodo. Mi ta haya un chens pa saca portretnan cu di otro forma lo mi no por saca." Y e curashi caracteristico aki hunto cu abilidad grandi y su actitud cu "por tabata mehor" ta loke ta haci Norman un fotografo sobresaliente.

Norman Singh — manera nan ta yamele — a nace na Kitty Village, British Guiana 35 anja pasá. Un di cinco yiu di un bendedor di comestibles, su hubentud tabata no mas, ni menos cu cualkier hoben cu ta crece den vecindario di Georgetown. Tempran den su bida Norman a decidí contra di e negoshi di comestibles. Su tata, naci na B.G., a tuma over e negoshi for di su tata, kende a bini B.G. for di India. Norman, en cambio, a studia sanitacion como un apprentice den Departamento di Obras Publicas. Na 1943 el cu 150 otro a firma pa bin traha na Lago. Pakico? "Mi no sabi, tur loke nos a tende tabata cu e sueldo y beneficionan tabata bon, y aki bo por gana bastante pa para sol. Ningun di nos tabata sabi algo tocante Aruba of Lago."

E viaje di e 150, den profundidad di Guerra Mundial II, a sali for di British Guiana pa Trinidad y di aki pa Curacao y pa Aruba abordo di un bapor di transporte Americano "State of Virginia." Apenas Norman su bapor a kita for di costa di Sur Americano sino dos destroyer Americano a presenta como escorte.

For di Trinidad pa Curacao "State of Virginia" cu su 150 recruta pa Lago a bira parti di un convooi di como "100 bapor."

"Tur cos tabata nobo y excitante y de vez en cuando mi tabata haya miedo. Nunca mi a mira bapornan grandi, y awor di repente mi tabata ariba un cu tabata nabega entre cien otro. Mi no tabata sabi cu mi tabata bai traha pa Lago of pa Aliadonan. Den tur e bapornan, mi ta corda cu mi a mira a lo menos seis destroyer Americano, un porta-avion, bapor di carga, tanquero y dos aeroplano ta bula na laria."

(Ta interesante pa nota cu e submarino Aleman cu a tira ariba Lago Februari 16, 1942, anochi, a worde reportá gesink net algun milla for di rumbo cu e convooi di Norman Singh a pasa. Un aeroplano Americano operando for di Trinidad aparentemente a haci esaki.

"Loke mi ta corda mas, sinembargo, tabata cu nos tabata net den centro di e convooi. Tur di nos ariba "Virginia" tabata kere cu tabata pasobra nos tabata personal importante. Ora nos a baha na Aruba nos a describi e berdadero motibo. Ademas di nos, e bapor tabata cargá di municion pa defensa di Aruba. Nunca lo mi lubida un otro senyor cu tabata viaja hunto cu nos. Ora nos a baha y nos a haya sabi di e municion cu a bini hunto cu nos, e homber aki a cai na rudia en gratitud, y despues di bendiciona su mes el suplica pa hibe'le B.G. atrobe. Nan a hibe'le tambe."

Na Lago Norman a bai traha den Cracking Plant "pasobra ey bo por gana placa liher." E unico trouble tabata cu Norman y trabao di warda no por uni. Pesey Norman a transferi pa Process Control. Un movida afortunado pa tur.

Y awor el ta na Santa Barbara studiando pa hacie'le mehor. Na camina cruzando Estados Unidos su avion a para na Chicago bastante largo pa Norman mira nieve. Su tarjeta reportando e evento no tabata bastante largo pa bisa e detayenan si el a saca e portret of no. Conociendo Norman, no ta di puntra mes cu el a haci esey — y manera costumber na fluitmento!



THE INGUENUITY of R. Van Derblik, left, and M. Curiel resulted in this unusual Christmas tree, made entirely of stationery supplies. INGENUIDAD di R. Van Derblik, robez, y M. Curiel a resulta den e kerstboom aki cu ta trahá henteramente di papel y materialnan di oficina.